

Wisconsin Business Leadership Network Resource Directory

ACCOMMODATIONS

Job Accommodations Net work

<http://janweb.icdi.wvu.edu/>

The Job Accommodation Network (JAN) provides information about job accommodations and the employability of people with disabilities. JAN also provides information regarding the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The JAN "Points of Interest" page contains **over 250 links** to help you find the information you need

Wisconsin Technology

<http://www.wistech.state.wi.us/>

If you are looking for resources or information on assistive technology, the WisTech Network may be able to help. People with disabilities, their families, service providers and other members of the community can access WisTech for questions and information on over 17,000 products and services: selecting, funding, installing and using assistive technology. Information is provided at the local level through the State's Independent Living Centers and is coordinated at the State level through a central office.

Workplace Accommodations

http://www.ilr.cornell.edu/ped/products.html?cat_id=2

This web page from Cornell University has a listing products for disability accessibility and accommodation.

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<http://www.svri.uwstout.edu/services>

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ADA INFORMATION:

Disability and Business Technical Assistance Center

<http://www.adagreatlakes.org/>

The Disability and Business Technical Assistance Center for Region V (Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin) provides technical assistance and training to businesses and people with disabilities regarding ADA and the Workforce Investment Act (WIA). The Center provides public awareness, technical assistance, training, materials and referrals.

US Department of Justice

<http://www.usdoj.gov/crt/ada/adahom1.htm>

US Department of Justice ADA page offers ADA background and an ADA information line for both general and specific information about ADA.

Consumer Law Web Page

<http://consumerlawpage.com/brochure/disab.shtml>

Consumer information maintained by the Alexander Law Firm.

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ADA Technical

<http://www.adata.org/>

A comprehensive resource for information on the Americans with Disabilities Act. This is a link to Great Lakes Technical Assistance Center (see above).

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY:

Abledata

<http://www.abledata.com/index.htm>

The premier source for information on assistive technology, sponsored by the National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research, U.S. Department of Education.

Trace Center

<http://www.trace.wisc.edu/world/>

The Trace Center provides companies with information on how to make their products more accessible and usable by people with disabilities. As an example, the center provides information on constructing a more accessible website. Telephone: (608) 262-6966; TTY: (608) 263-5408; E-mail: web@trace.wisc.edu

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EMPLOYMENT AND DISABILITY INFORMATION:

Ability Forum

<http://www.abilityforum.com>

AbilityForum.com provides a complete community resource where people with disabilities overcome barriers through the power of technology. AbilityForum.com includes a free Job Center, Resource Center and avenues for social support. AbilityForum.com is being developed under a grant from the U.S. Department of Education and is designed to meet accessibility standards.

Telecommuting for ADA Compliance

<http://www.mite.org/telecommutdisabilities/telecommutdisabilities.html>

While its benefits are not limited to people with disabilities, telecommuting provides companies with the opportunity to successfully integrate workers with disabilities for whom the traditional workplace presents obstacles. For more information about telecommuting and people with disabilities, call Jane Anderson at (612) 879-5409, or email her at janderson@wavetech.net.

National Business & Disability Council (NBDC)

<http://www.business-disability.com/>

NBDC leads as national corporate resource on issues related to successful employment/integration of individuals with disabilities into America's workforce.

Great Jobs Wisconsin

<http://www.greatjobswi.org/>

Forward Wisconsin, Inc. <http://www.forwardwi.com/>, the state's non profit economic development marketing arm, in conjunction with economic development organizations around the state, administers GREATJOBSWI.COM. The interactive site is for employers seeking to attract new employees or individuals seeking employment. Fee.

Job Order System -Department of Workforce Development

<http://www.dwd.state.wi.us/joborder/emplogin.htm>

The Wisconsin Job Order System is a FREE service to employers sponsored by the state Department of Workforce Development. Job orders entered in this system will appear on JobNet (Wisconsin's statewide computerized job listings).

America's Job Bank

<http://www.ajb.org/wi/>

AJB gives employers, free, a search of nationwide resume database, posting of unlimited jobs, setup for an automated resume search and more.

Wisconsin Business Leadership Job Seekers Resume Bank

<http://www.dwd.state.wi.us/dvr/BLN/candidates.htm>

The Wisconsin Business Leadership Network offers a resume bank of job seekers with disabilities in the Waukesha, Milwaukee, Dane, Dodge and Sauk counties. It is anticipated that this service will be available statewide by 2005.

Project Able

<http://www.ssa.gov/work/Employers/able.html#what>

Project ABLE is a national resume bank that provides employers an easily accessible applicant pool of qualified Job seekers

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GENERAL DISABILITY RESOURCES:

Disability Information and Resources

<http://www.makoa.org/index.html>

Over 100 links web sites of useful information. The pages are created and maintained solely by [Jim Lubin](#), who has quadriplegia. Mr. Lubin uses a keyboard/mouse emulator with a sip and puff switch to type [Morse codes](#). Information includes disability-related products and services from companies, free prescription medicine information and databases.

Blindness and Related Resources on the Web

<http://www.hicom.net/~oedipus/blind.html>

A listing of blindness-related resources on the web and beyond.

Wisconsin Council of the Blind

<http://www.wcblind.org/>

The Council provides advocacy providing services, advocating legislation and educating the general public. Call 608 255-1166 or 800 783-5213

Wisconsin Interpreter Services

To schedule an interpreter for a person who is deaf or hard of hearing, contact the provider a minimum of 48 hours in advance.

<http://www.dhfs.state.wi.us/sensory/WITA/terpagencies.htm>

Wisconsin agencies that offer interpreters.

<http://www.dhfs.state.wi.us/sensory/WITA/terpdirectory.htm>

Wisconsin listing of individuals who provide interpreting services

<http://www.dhfs.state.wi.us/sensory/Staff/stafflisting.htm>

This is a listing of staff for the WI Bureau of Deaf and Hard of Hearing in Department of Health and Family Services who serve as community resources.

Independent Living Centers

<http://www.wisilc.org>

Includes links to the center closest to you. An independent living center (ILC) is a consumer-directed, non-profit organization that provides an array of services, including: peer support, information and referral, independent living skills training, advocacy, community education, personal care and service coordination.

Wisconsin Council on Developmental Disabilities

<http://www.wcdd.org/>

The Wisconsin Council on Developmental Disabilities, by federal and state law, plans for and oversees the state's responses to the needs of people with developmental disabilities, and acts as an advocate to insure the provision of adequate, appropriate, and humane services. E-mail:

Alliance for the Mentally Ill

<http://www.namiwisconsin.org/>

NAMI provides crucial information to persons affected by mental illness and their families and serves as their advocate on a state and national level.

Brain Injury Association of Wisconsin

<http://www.biaw.org/aboutus.html>

This site provides information, resources, education and advocacy related to traumatic brain injuries.

Epilepsy Foundation, Inc.

<http://www.epilepsyfoundation.org/aboutus/index.html>

The national organization works for children and adults affected by seizures through research, education, advocacy and service. The Epilepsy Foundation of South Central Wisconsin (<http://thinkmills.com/efscw/>) provides services through education, advocacy and service to individuals and employers.

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Vocational Evaluation Services provides a systematic method of determining vocational assets, limitations, behaviors, and physical tolerances. Assessment options include transferable skills analysis, loss of earnings determination, psychometric testing, work samples, career exploration, and job shadowing/try-outs.

Projects With Industry Placement Services include pre-employment training and job seeking skills training for job seekers with disabilities, job analysis, referrals of qualified applicants, follow along support before and after the hire, and consultation on ADA.

GOVERNMENT:

Wisconsin's Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

<http://www.dwd.state.wi.us/dvr/>

Central Office -- Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)
201 East Washington Avenue
GEF-1, A-100
PO Box 7852
Madison, WI 53707-7852
(608) 261-0050 (Voice)
(800) 442-3477 (Toll Free)
(888) 877-5939 (TTY)
(608) 266-1133 (FAX)

For general questions, contact DVR through e-mail: dwddvr@dwd.state.wi.us

FirstGov

<http://www.firstgov.gov/>

FirstGov is a government website to provide the public with easy, *one-stop access to all online U.S. Federal Government resources*. FirstGov allows users to browse information — everything from researching at the Library of Congress to tracking a NASA mission. It also enables users to conduct important business online — such as applying for student loans, tracking Social Security benefits, comparing Medicare options and even administering government grants and contracts.

Office of Disability Employment Policy

<http://www.dol.gov/dol/odep/>

The former President's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities is now the Office of Disability Employment Policy for the Department of Labor. Program. The mission of ODEP, under the leadership of an Assistant Secretary, is to bring a heightened and permanent long-term focus to the goal of increasing employment of persons with disabilities.

Wisconsin E-Government Portal

<http://www.wisconsin.gov/state/home>

State government one-stop service. Links to licensure, business, health and human service and even lottery results and road/detour information.

Alphabetical listing of state agencies

http://www.wisconsin.gov/state/core/agency_index.html

Wisconsin State Legislature

<http://www.legis.state.wi.us/>

Wisconsin Labor Market Information for employers

<http://www.dwd.state.wi.us/dwelmi/employer.htm>

This link directs employers to the Department of Workforce Development's Employer page.

Wisconsin Department of Commerce

<http://www.commerce.state.wi.us/>

The primary agency for delivery of integrated services to business. Information on expanding, financing, choosing a business location, starting a business and statistics and data.

United States Census Bureau (Department of Commerce)

<http://www.census.gov/>

Census bureau data is used to make informed decisions with use of the data collected. Lists disability data.

Social Security Administration

(<http://www.ssa.gov/work/index2.html>)

The employer's section of the web site *provides information about employing people with disabilities*. Employers will find information about the Americans with Disabilities Act, tax incentives and helpful links to the President's Committee on the Employment of People with Disabilities.

GENERAL GOOD INFORMATION:**State of Wisconsin Phone Directory**

<http://badger.state.wi.us/sowdir/online.htm>

Phone numbers and addresses to state agencies and staff

Help Business

<http://helpbusiness-wi.com/>

This Internet site is designed to help business people in Wisconsin find useful web sites. It was developed by a group of state business people and government representatives.

EDUCATION RESOURCES:

Northcentral Technical College (NTC)

<http://www.northcentral.tec.wi.us/services/csd/dhh/index.htm>

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Nationally-known programs offered to the deaf and hard of hearing and the visually impaired.

National Technical Institute for the Deaf (NTID)

<http://www.rit.edu/NTID>

Technological college for deaf students. One of the seven colleges of Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT).

Gallaudet University's Home Page

<http://www2.gallaudet.edu>

University program for students who are hard of hearing or deaf.

University of Wisconsin-Stout, Menomonie, Wisconsin

www.uwstout.edu

The mission of the Vocational Rehabilitation program is to prepare students for dynamic careers in the field of rehabilitation services. Undergraduate and graduate programs are offered including a variety of concentrations such as rehabilitation counseling, vocational evaluation, assistive technology, independent living, and psychiatric rehabilitation. The M.S. in vocational rehabilitation program has gained international recognition in its preparation of highly trained professionals and is ranked among the top ten graduate programs in rehabilitation by U.S. News and World Report. The program at UW-Stout has been praised for its use of “hands-on, minds-on learning.” Students gain considerable hands-on experience through laboratory and community-based activities.

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